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**Richard Allen Griffin**  
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1952  
Education: Western Michigan 1973 BA;  
Michigan 1977 JD  
Began Service: June 26, 2005  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Ross W. Campbell, Michigan Circuit Court, 22nd Judicial Circuit (1975-1977)

**Judicial:** Judge, Michigan Court of Appeals (1989-2005)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Williams, Coulter, Cunningham, Davison & Read (1977-1981); Partner, Coulter, Cunningham, Davison & Read (1981-1985); Partner, Read & Griffin (1985-1988)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Bar Association; State Bar of Michigan

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**Raymond Michael Kethledge**  
Circuit Judge

Education: Michigan 1993 JD  
Began Service: July 11, 2008  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Ralph B. Guy, Jr., United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit; Law Clerk, Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, Supreme Court of the United States

**Government:** Judiciary Counsel, Office of Senator Spencer Abraham, United States Senate (1995-1997)

**Legal Practice:** Counsel, Private Practice; Partner, Litigation Department, Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn

**Staff**

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**Helene Nita White**  
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1954  
Education: Barnard 1975 AB; Pennsylvania 1978 JD  
Began Service: August 12, 2008  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Charles L. Levin, Michigan Supreme Court (1978-1980)

**Judicial:** Judge, Detroit Court of Common Pleas (1981); Judge, Michigan District Court, 36th Judicial District (1981-1983); Judge, Michigan Circuit Court, Third Judicial Circuit (1983-1992); Judge, Michigan Court of Appeals (1992-2008)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Detroit Bar Association; Michigan Judges Association; National Association of Women Judges; Pennsylvania Bar Association; State Bar of Michigan; Women Lawyers Association of Michigan

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**Jane Branstetter Stranch**  
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1953  
Education: Vanderbilt 1975, 1978 JD  
Began Service: October 1, 2010  
Appointed By: President Barack Obama

**Academic:** Lecturer, Labor Law, Belmont University

**Nonprofit:** Board Chair, Bellevue, YMCA of Middle Tennessee

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Nashville Bar Association; Nashville Bar Foundation, Nashville Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association

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**Damon Jerome Keith**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1922  
Education: West Virginia State Col 1943 BA; Howard U 1949 JD;  
Wayne State 1956 LLM  
Began Service: October 1977  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Judicial:** District Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (1967-1977)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1950-1964); Attorney, Office of the Friend of the Court (1951-1955); Senior Partner, Keith, Conyers, Anderson, Brown & Whals (1964-1967)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1943-1946)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Detroit Bar Association; National Bar Association; National Lawyers Guild; State Bar of Michigan

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**Chambers of Senior Judge Gilbert S. Merritt**

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**Gilbert S. Merritt**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1936  
Education: Yale 1957 BA; Vanderbilt 1960 LLB; Harvard 1962 LLM  
Began Service: November 18, 1977  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Academic:** Assistant Dean and Instructor, Law School, Vanderbilt University (1960-1961); Part-Time Lecturer, Law School, Vanderbilt University (1962-1969); Associate Professor, Law School, Vanderbilt University (1969-1970)

**Government:** Associate, Office of the Metropolitan Attorney, City of Nashville, Tennessee (1963-1966); United States Attorney, Middle District of Tennessee, United States Department of Justice (1966-1969); Executive Secretary, Code Commission, State of Tennessee (1977)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Boulton, Hunt, Cummings & Connors (1962-1963); Partner, Gullett, Steele, Sanford, Robinson & Merritt (1970-1977)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association

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**Cornelia Groefsema Kennedy**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1923  
Education: Michigan 1945 BA, 1947 JD  
Began Service: September 26, 1979  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Harold M. Stephens, United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit (1947-1948)

**Government:** Member, Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution (1987-1991)

**Judicial:** Judge, Third Judicial Circuit, Michigan District Courts (1966-1970); Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (1970-1979)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Elmer H. Groefsema (1948-1952); Partner, Markle & Markle (1953-1966)

**Current Memberships:** American Association of Justice; American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Detroit Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; National Association of Women Judges; National Association of Women Lawyers; Women Judges Fund for Justice

**Staff**

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**Ralph Bright Guy, Jr.**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1929  
Education: Michigan 1951 AB, 1953 JD  
Began Service: October 17, 1985  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Assistant Corporation Counsel, City of Dearborn, Michigan (1955-1958); Corporation Counsel, City of Dearborn, Michigan (1958-1969); Chief Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Michigan, United States Department of Justice (1969-1970); United States Attorney, Eastern District of Michigan, United States Department of Justice (1970-1976)

**Judicial:** District Judge, United States District Court for the District of Eastern Michigan (1976-1985)

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